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Columbus Telephone Co.  
224 S. Kansas  
Columbus, KS 66705

SUBJECT Use certification Annual by 10/1/04

DATE 09/9/04

MESSAGE

Enclosed please find Columbus Telephone Co.  
Universal Service Support Annual use certification.  
Any questions, please call 620/429-3132.

SIGNED Trish Carroll

REPLY

SIGNED

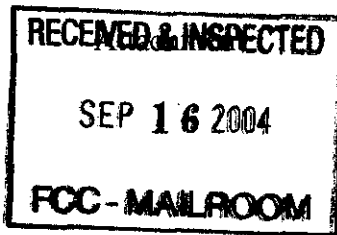
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THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS



Before Commissioners:

Brian J. Moline, Chair  
Robert E. Krehbiel  
Michael C. Moffet

In the Matter of Certification of Compliance with )  
Section 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications) Docket No. 05-GIMT-XXX-GIT  
Act of 1996, and Non-Rural Carrier Certificate of )  
Urban/Rural Rate Comparability )

**SECTION 254(e) CERTIFICATION FORM**  
**FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT**  
**FCC Docket Reference: CC Docket No. 96-45**  
(Please type or print legibly)

1. My title is General Manager of the  
Columbus Telephone Company (Company/ Cooperative). In this  
capacity, I am in a position of authority to direct how Federal Universal Service Support  
Funds received will be used and by this certification I am binding  
Columbus Telephone Co (Company/Cooperative) to the statements made in this  
certification.

2. Columbus Telephone Company (Company/Cooperative)  
was named as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Kansas Corporation  
Commission in Docket No(s). 98-GIMT-241-GIT by order(s) dated  
December 5, 1997.

3. By this affidavit, I certify that the Federal Universal Service Support funds  
received by Columbus Telephone Co. (Company/Cooperative) for the year  
2005 will be used, only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities for

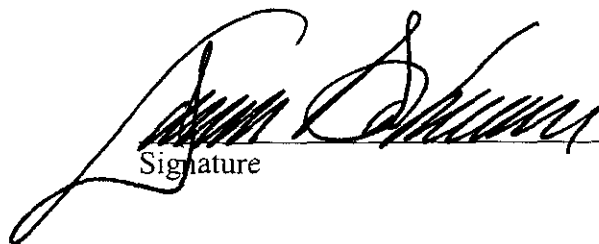
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which the support is intended, as designated by the Federal Communications Commission consistent with Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act.

The Federal Universal Service Funds for which I am making this certification are those pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§54.309 and/or 54.311 for nonrural areas and/or pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§54.301, 54.305, 54.307, and/or 47 C.F. R. Part 36, subpart F for rural areas. These funds will be used to provide the following supported services as designated in 47 C.F.R. §54.101 which are available throughout the Company's/Cooperative's study area:

- a. voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. local usage;
- c. dual tone multi-frequency signal, or its functional equivalent;
- d. single party service, or its functional equivalent;
- e. access to emergency services, including 911 and enhanced 911 service;
- f. access to operator services;
- g. access to interexchange service;
- h. access to directory assistance;
- i. toll blocking or toll limitation control for qualifying low-income customers.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on 9/8/04 (date).

  
Signature